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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Moore and Sanborn

Appl. No. *To Be Assigned*
(Divisional of Appl. No. 09/631,638,
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For: **Process for the Recovery of Organic
Acids**

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Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In advance of prosecution, Applicants submit the following Preliminary Amendment and Remarks. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (A) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks. 37 C.F.R. § 1.115; and
- (B) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of